

# 2013-14 PROVINCIAL BUDGET SNAPSHOT

## Sin tax



**\$0.04**

**Tobacco tax rate increase per cigarette  
(and comparable rate cut/loose tobacco)**  
E.g. Extra \$1 per pack of cigarettes



**3%**

**Liquor mark-up cent for all beverages**  
E.g. Pilsner 6 X 355ml cans up from \$13.49 to \$13.89  
750ml Captain Morgan spiced rum \$29.49 to \$30.37

## Health



**\$70.5m**

**Saskatchewan Surgical Initiative**  
Program aimed to reduce surgical wait times (an increase of \$10m)

## Education



**\$14.3m**

**Post-secondary base operating grants**  
A 2.3-per-cent increase

**\$17m**

**School enrolments**  
Increase to support forecasted school enrolment increases from Kindergarten to Grade 12

**\$1.5m**

**First Nations & Metis**  
Increase to work toward the elimination of on reserve Adult Basic Education waitlists

## Housing



**\$6m**

**Rentals**  
Funding under the Rental Construction Incentive program to build 1,300 new rentals

## Agriculture



**-\$40m**

**Business Risk Management**

Funding to AgriStability, the program designed to support farmer when they experience a large margin of decline, slashed

**\$194 per acre**

**Crop Insurance Coverage**

Levels will increase to a record level in 2013, more than double the coverage offered in 2007

## Women



**\$800,000**

**Women's shelters**

Funding for a new transition house in Melfort and for existing facilities in Regina and Prince Albert that have already expanded

## Highways



**\$63.6m**

**Infrastructure**

Expansion of 'economic corridors' such as the Regina West Bypass, the Estevan Bypass, passing lanes on Highway 10 and completion of the Highway 11 Twinning initiative

## Transit



**\$3.5m**

**Transit Assistance**

Doubling capital grants for paratransit buses and expanding the program to more municipalities

## Seniors



**\$2m**

**Pilot project**

Funding for an innovative home care services program for seniors in Regina

## Ethanol



**-\$8m**

**Tax rebate**

Winding down the Ethanol Fuel Tax Rebate grant from 15 to 10 cents per litre